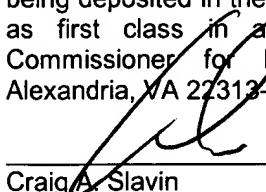




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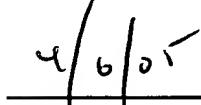
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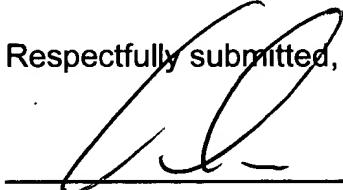
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Sir:

Applicant petitions for a one-month extension of time to respond to the outstanding office action for the above-identified application. Our check for \$120 for the fee is enclosed. We authorize the Commissioner to charge any additional fees to our deposit account No. 50-0638.

  
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